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CONNECTICUT ARMY NATIONAL GUARD TRANSPORTATION UNIT MOBILIZED IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM

HARTFORD, Conn., - Maj. Gen. Thaddeus J. Martin, Adjutant General and Commander of the Connecticut National Guard, announces that approximately 150 soldiers from the 1048th Transportation Company of Stratford, have been ordered to mobilize in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The unit will mobilized and deployed for up to 18 months.

A formal send-off ceremony will be held on Saturday, June 24, 2006, 1:00 p.m. at the Hartford Armory.

The 1048th Transportation Company provides transportation assets for the movement of both dry and refrigerated containerized cargo, general non-containerized cargo and bulk water and bulk petroleum products by motor transport. The unit's equipment consists of 61 tractor trailer trucks and 120 trailers.

The 1048th deployed with 20 tractor trailers loaded with bottled water and food supplies to Louisiana in the wake of Hurricane Katrina last September.

The 1048th is commanded by 1st Lt. David Tripp of Broad Brook, Conn.

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